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naval attaché to the French Legation at

According to the Press, the Japanese Government has already proposed to arrange some fair European and American exports.

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St. George's Ball took place at the Public Hall, Yokohama, on the 25th April, and

furnished by the *Barangay* sitting band,  
 H.M.S. *Brady*, *Burns* and *Whiting* leave for  
 Weihaiwei on Monday, calling in at Shang-  
 hai and other ports on route. H.M.S. *Pearl*  
 cook leaves for Manila on Monday.

The *Miyako* states that the *Toyo Kisen*  
 (Kaifu) (Oriental S.S. Co.) steamer *American*  
 maru, which is on her way to Japan from  
 San Francisco, carries over four hundred  
 American soldiers for the Philippines.

The lists of officials in the Volunteer  
 Corps during the past training season have  
 just been issued. Ninety members of the

The following crew has been selected to represent Yokohama at the forthcoming Kobanegata:—H. E. Hayward, G. C. Alcock

The *Habs* crew has not yet been settled but it is believed it will consist of: *Mendelsohn* of Oldenburg, *Kalkhof* and *Serhagen* (stroke).

The Japanese cruiser *Asama* arrived at Colombo from Aden on the 23rd April, and the torpedo-destroyer *Yugiri* left Port Salado for Aden on April 25. The cruiser *Kangaro* left Aden on April 26, and the torpedo-destroyer *Suzuki* at Philadelphia left Colombo for Singapore on the 23rd April. The torpedo-destroyer *Hamachi* is also on her way to Singapore, leaving Colombo on the 24th.

Mr. J. McGregor Forbes appeared at the Magistrate's to-day as complainant against the owner of a dust cart on a charge of wasting water. Mr Forbes stated that about seven o'clock this morning he was coming from the race course, when he saw

fountain into the side channel. There was a large number of people round the fountain, and defendant and one or two males who were there, were seen to get out of the dust cart. The lay of the fountain was running freely and when there were no buckets under the tap the water was allowed to run into the side channel. The Magistrate said he had no objection to the defendant washing his dust cart, but he should not leave the water running, defendant was fined \$5, with the alternative of fourteen days' imprisonment.

at No. 53 Queen's Road West, was charged before Mr T. Sercombe Smith, at the Magistrate's Court, on Monday, with neglecting to report a case of plague. The case was that of a Chinese lady who died at No. 63 Thir Street. The defendant endeavoured to

gard to the time he had been in the Colony and as to what the disease was his patient was suffering from. In answer to a series of questions he said the cause of death was

due to heat and an excessive heat. "What is the plague?" asked the Magistrate. "You might call it plague," replied the medical man. "The Magistrate—Is it the same thing that lots of people have been dying of in Tun-  
kun?" The defendant—Yes. The defendant said he did not know the law. The Magistrate said he should not practise until he knew the law. His duty as a doctor

Another machine gun company—  
Company—has been organised in conne

at the East Point Sugar Refinery. Mr. H. Underwood, a sergeant in 'A' Machine Gun Company, is promoted to the rank of Lieutenant of the new company, and as Mr. Underwood is one of the most popular members of the Corps, besides being an enthusiastic volunteer and well-acquainted

expected his Company will speedily beco-

Remaining is still going on. The prospect of the Volunteer Corps—Field Battery B, Machine Gun Companies—were never more promising than at the present time. The recent exhibition of the value of the Corps for defensive work having raised its appreciability in the public estimation. The healthy rivalry in the machine gun section with companies as the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 158th, 159th, 160th, 161st, 162nd, 163rd, 164th, 165th, 166th, 167th, 168th, 169th, 170th, 171st, 172nd, 173rd, 174th, 175th, 176th, 177th, 178th, 179th, 180th, 181st, 182nd, 183rd, 184th, 185th, 186th, 187th, 188th, 189th, 190th, 191st, 192nd, 193rd, 194th, 195th, 196th, 197th, 198th, 199th, 200th, 201st, 202nd, 203rd, 204th, 205th, 206th, 207th, 208th, 209th, 210th, 211st, 212th, 213th, 214th, 215th, 216th, 217th, 218th, 219th, 220th, 221st, 222nd, 223rd, 224th, 225th, 226th, 227th, 228th, 229th, 230th, 231st, 232nd, 233rd, 234th, 235th, 236th, 237th, 238th, 239th, 240th, 241st, 242nd, 243rd, 244th, 245th, 246th, 247th, 248th, 249th, 250th, 251st, 252nd, 253rd, 254th, 255th, 256th, 257th, 258th, 259th, 260th, 261st, 262nd, 263rd, 264th, 265th, 266th, 267th, 268th, 269th, 270th, 271st, 272nd, 273rd, 274th, 275th, 276th, 277th, 278th, 279th, 280th, 281st, 282nd, 283rd, 284th, 285th, 286th, 287th, 288th, 289th, 290th, 291st, 292nd, 293rd, 294th, 295th, 296th, 297th, 298th, 299th, 300th, 301st, 302nd, 303rd, 304th, 305th, 306th, 307th, 308th, 309th, 310th, 311st, 312th, 313th, 314th, 315th, 316th, 317th, 318th, 319th, 320th, 321st, 322nd, 323rd, 324th, 325th, 326th, 327th, 328th, 329th, 330th, 331st, 332nd, 333rd, 334th, 335th, 336th, 337th, 338th, 339th, 340th, 341st, 342nd, 343rd, 344th, 345th, 346th, 347th, 348th, 349th, 350th, 351st, 352nd, 353rd, 354th, 355th, 356th, 357th, 358th, 359th, 360th, 361st, 362nd, 363rd, 364th, 365th, 366th, 367th, 368th, 369th, 370th, 371st, 372nd, 373rd, 374th, 375th, 376th, 377th, 378th, 379th, 380th, 381st, 382nd, 383rd, 384th, 385th, 386th, 387th, 388th, 389th, 390th, 391st, 392nd, 393rd, 394th, 395th, 396th, 397th, 398th, 399th, 400th, 401st, 402nd, 403rd, 404th, 405th, 406th, 407th, 408th, 409th, 410th, 411st, 412th, 413th, 414th, 415th, 416th, 417th, 418th, 419th, 420th, 421st, 422nd, 423rd, 424th, 425th, 426th, 427th, 428th, 429th, 430th, 431st, 432nd, 433rd, 434th, 435th, 436th, 437th, 438th, 439th, 440th, 441st, 442nd, 443rd, 444th, 445th, 446th, 447th, 448th, 449th, 450th, 451st, 452nd, 453rd, 454th, 455th, 456th, 457th, 458th, 459th, 460th, 461st, 462nd, 463rd, 464th, 465th, 466th, 467th, 468th, 469th, 470th, 471st, 472nd, 473rd, 474th, 475th, 476th, 477th, 478th, 479th, 480th, 481st, 482nd, 483rd, 484th, 485th, 486th, 487th, 488th, 489th, 490th, 491st, 492nd, 493rd, 494th, 495th, 496th, 497th, 498th, 499th, 500th, 501st, 502nd, 503rd, 504th, 505th, 506th, 507th, 508th, 509th, 510th, 511st, 512th, 513th, 514th, 515th, 516th, 517th, 518th, 519th, 520th, 521st, 522nd, 523rd, 524th, 525th, 526th, 527th, 528th, 529th, 530th, 531st, 532nd, 533rd, 534th, 535th, 536th, 537th, 538th, 539th, 540th, 541st, 542nd, 543rd, 544th, 545th, 546th, 547th, 548th, 549th, 550th, 551st, 552nd, 553rd, 554th, 555th, 556th, 557th, 558th, 559th, 560th, 561st, 562nd, 563rd, 564th, 565th, 566th, 567th, 568th, 569th, 570th, 571st, 572nd, 573rd, 574th, 575th, 576th, 577th, 578th, 579th, 580th, 581st, 582nd, 583rd, 584th, 585th, 586th, 587th, 588th, 589th, 590th, 591st, 592nd, 593rd, 594th, 595th, 596th, 597th, 598th, 599th, 600th, 601st, 602nd, 603rd, 604th, 605th, 606th, 607th, 608th, 609th, 610th, 611st, 612th, 613th, 614th, 615th, 616th, 617th, 618th, 619th, 620th, 621st, 622nd, 623rd, 624th, 625th, 626th, 627th, 628th, 629th, 630th, 631st, 632nd, 633rd, 634th, 635th, 636th, 637th, 638th, 639th, 640th, 641st, 642nd, 643rd, 644th, 645th, 646th, 647th, 648th, 649th, 650th, 651st, 652nd, 653rd, 654th, 655th, 656th, 657th, 658th, 659th, 660th, 661st, 662nd, 663rd, 664th, 665th, 666th, 667th, 668th, 669th, 670th, 671st, 672nd, 673rd, 674th, 675th, 676th, 677th, 678th, 679th, 680th, 681st, 682nd, 683rd, 684th, 685th, 686th, 687th, 688th, 689th, 69




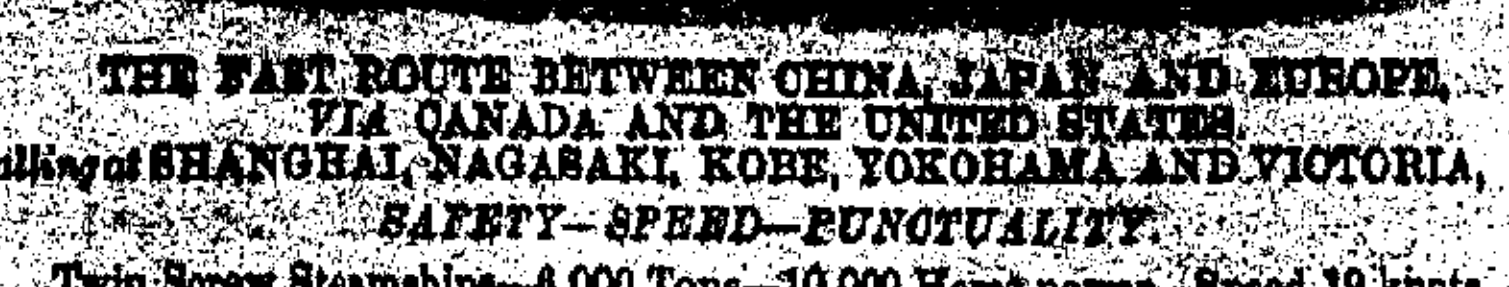




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**Auctions.**

**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.**  
No. 249.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of SALE of CROWN LAND by Public Auction, to be held on the 8th day of May, 1890, at 3 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1890.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction, to be held on Monday, the 8th day of May, 1890, at 3 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

Lot No.	Location	Boundary Measurements	Area	Estimated Value
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Particulars of the Lot.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless Notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th Instant, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th Instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

STEINSEN & CO.,  
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Hongkong, May 1, 1890. 1078

**NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

**STEAMSHIP PREUSSEN.**

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

OPTIONAL Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-day.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th May, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, 9th May and Monday, the 10th May, at 3.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 18th May, or they will not be recognised. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

MELCHERS & CO.,  
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Hongkong, May 2, 1890. 1104

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

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Goods not cleared by the 10th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 4, 1890. 1120

**NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

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Hongkong, April 29, 1890. 2340

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Hongkong, April 1, 1890. 826

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**THE EMPIRE.**

HOW THE EMPIRE'S SURFACE IS PARTITIONED AMONG THE NATIONS.

Discussing the empire of the world from a United States point of view, Mr. Frank W. Hatchins writes as follows in the *Chicago Times-Herald*:

In extent of territorial possessions Uncle Sam ranks fifth among the great landholders of the world, behind Russia, China, and France each own a larger portion of the globe than that belonging to the United States. 'Territorial expansion' will have to accomplish much before we can better our position, judged by area alone, among the possessors of the earth.

The whole world is in the hands of some 60 owners, and the number of countries is 135. Sixty national landholders are not many for a world having 62,000,000 square miles of land surface, yet the tendency of the times is to make the number smaller rather than larger.

Since 1815 there has been a gathering in of large areas under few governments. Small sovereignties have combined or have been swallowed up by greater ones. One's hand against another's has been the rule for the last 10 years especially the greater nations have shown an insatiable greed for territory. At last they have turned to read one of their own number. China, that for thousands of years has owned so large a portion of the globe, is about to be dismembered and absorbed, and its name dropped from the list of the world's owners.

To partly take the place of the nations that are losing their hold upon the earth some new sovereign landholders may appear. Independent Cuba is already announced to all the gap in the list left by Hawaii. But the time is not ripe for these new owners. Cuba herself, not yet quite born as a republic, is already half christened as a colony of the United States.

Striking boundary lines as well as possible we find that the greatest landholding nations, those having territory exceeding 1,000,000 square miles, are as follows:

Nation	Square Miles
British Empire	11,371,161
Russian Empire	8,669,394
Chinese Empire	4,819,401
French Republic	8,841,419
United States	3,699,393
Brazil	3,292,973
Argentine Republic	1,775,193
German Empire	1,253,603

These nine nations own over three-fourths of the world.

The figures given for the United States include Hawaii, but not the yet unacquired mid-ocean territory, as yet to be acquired from Spain. Hawaii did not bring with her a very large portion of the earth. Yet 6640 square miles make a good-sized stepping-stone for Uncle Sam on his way to the Orient. As to the Spanish territory, if we take the minimum proposed, Puerto Rico and the vicinity of Manila, the acquisition will be only about 4,000 square miles. If Puerto Rico and all the Philippines be retained the United States will be larger by about 118,000 square miles. In other words, our recent territorial gains through peaceful annexation and by conquest have total area somewhere between that of Massachusetts and that of New Mexico.

If we anticipate a little and add Cuba the total area gained becomes about that of California.

All this expansion does not change our position in the list of great landholding Powers. We yet stand a little below France.

If we make a nest smaller group of countries, placing in it those having areas from half a million to a million square miles, we again have nine nations, as follows:

Nation	Square Miles
Congo Independent State	900,000
Peru	837,098
Netherlands	795,648
Mexico	767,005
Persia	628,000
Venezuela	593,943
Bolivia	697,360
Colombia	561,473
Spain	513,938

These two groups of nations own seven-eighths of the globe.

Spain's position on the list is a precarious one. Before the war she stood better, just below Persia. The figures given show her size after the loss of Cuba. If the Philippines become American territory Spain will drop out of the group altogether.

The nation that once owned more of the world than almost any other will have shrunk to less than twice the area of Texas.

Another nation in this group in which American eyes are riveted is Venezuela. The figures given indicate her share of the world as she claims it. But Great Britain claims a large part of the same territory. The intervention of the United States in the dispute led to the appointment of a Commission, whose decision, if in favor of Great Britain, may reduce the figures for Venezuela to 50,000 square miles.

The remaining one-eighth of the earth is divided among the other 40 odd sovereignties in portions ranging from nearly half a million square miles in Peru to eight square miles in Monaco. Among these owners of small holdings are some of the important countries as follows:

Nation	Square Miles
Italy	450,000
Sweden and Norway	297,321
Austria-Hungary	264,204
Japan	161,245
Denmark	101,903
Greece	29,014
Belgium	15,776
Portugal	11,373

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**HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.**

In their weekly share report dated Hongkong, Friday, 5th May, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly & Potts, state:—

Since our last circular, business has been fairly brisk and several stocks show an appreciable advance, notably Hongkong and Shanghai Banks, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock, and Hongkong Hotels, whilst other shares show a firmer tendency. The Overseas Chinese, Limited, have given notice that a call of 51 per share has been made in respect of the 'B' shares and is payable on the 5th July.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have been in strong demand and have been placed at advancing rates up to 281 per cent. premium. The London quotation has risen to 250. Nationals have been done at 232.

Mine Insurance.—Yangtze and others quoted at \$114 ex the dividend of \$6 paid on the 24th April. North China have buyers at \$114, 150 ex the dividend of \$11, 80 3/4 paid on the 20th April.

Five Insurance.—Hongkong Fire has changed hands at \$235 and \$297. China Fire has been done in small lots at \$81 and \$82.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Yuen Shum have been placed to a fair extent at \$29. Four Chinese have changed hands to a considerable extent at \$69, \$70, \$69, and \$69, and close with a few shares offering at the latter rate. China and Manilla are wanted at \$75. Douglas Steamships have been done at \$65 and are now not obtainable under \$68. Star Lines are a shade easier and can be had at \$14.

Registries.—China Sugars have improved their position and have been done at \$169. Luzon have been bought at \$49 and \$50.

Mining.—Punjoms have been in some demand and after sales at \$72 have been sold at \$72. A telegram from the Mines states that the Mill ran 24 days, crushing 2,200 tons, yielding 148 ounces of unrefined gold. Prospects are encouraging. Charbonnages have experienced a sharp rise, and have been placed at \$100, \$170 and \$175. Queen Mines have been sold at \$23 1/2.

Gold.—Gold has been negotiated at \$10. Rupees are steady and buyers at \$83. Great Eastern and Caledonia have improved their position and have been done at \$5.50, \$3.50, \$3.70, \$4 and \$4 1/2.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks continue in demand and shares have been taken off the market at \$24 and \$40 per cent. premium, the market closing steady at the latter rate. Kowloon Wharf shares have been placed at \$81 and \$82.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Land have hardened and sales have been made at \$80, \$80 1/2 and \$81. Kowloon Land are required for \$24. Hongkong Hotels have been done at \$100, advanced to \$83 with no shares changing hands. Humphreys' Estate have been sold at \$9.50, \$9.55 and \$9.55, closing steady at the latter rate. China Provident have been done at \$9.90 and \$10, and close quiet at \$9.75.

Cotton.—There is no business to report in stocks and grain heading. Miscellaneous



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